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in English fashion. In any case the coincidence, if it be no more, is very curious.

It is worth noting in this connection that the original Peter Piper, though a true Catholic, is quite unconsciously heathen at times. Thus he gives us the old Roman Etruscan prescription included as a magical cure by Jacob Grimm (from Marcellus) of applying a live cat to the stomach to ease pain ; and declares that *inter sacra amuleta* are to be included " gold, incense, myrrh, rue, hypericon, and blessed grains," all of which, like the cat, were pre-Christian, and with it are still known as excellent charms and sorceries in Tuscany.

Charles G. Leland.

FLORENCE, October 24, 1890.

"ANGLO-CYMRIC SCORE" (vol. iii. p. 71).—A correspondent furnishes an example of this score as used in Rhode Island :—

Having accidentally come across the number of the Journal for January-March, 1890, I noticed a "counting-out rhyme," which possesses a special interest for me, as being one of my earliest recollections.

This score or enumeration, as used in the Rhode Island village where I first heard it, differs slightly from that given in the Journal, being as follows :—

"Een, teen, teddery, peddery, satter, latter, doe, dommy, an, dick ; een-dick, teen-dick, teddery-dick, peddery-dick, bimpin ; een-bimpin, teen-bimpin, teddery-bimpin, peddery-bimpin, jiggetts."

The above rhyme or jargon was introduced into the school by an English boy, who said that at that time (about 1870) it was the one commonly used in "counting-out" games in Sheffield.

Frank P. Stockbridge.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

FOLK-LORE JOTTINGS FROM ROCKHAVEN, D. C.—An Owl Dialogue, as overheard by a belated colored girl of Fairfax County, Va. :—

He Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

She Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

He Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

Rough-shod, shoe-boot,

Chicken soup so good,

Who cooks for we-all ?

She Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

I cooks for myself ;

You cooks for yourself ;

Who cooks for we-all ?

He Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

She Owl. Who, who, who are you ?

Chorus of Little Owls. Who, who, who are you ?

Down near the Maryland seacoast this summer I learned that the killdeer plover is, or has been, regarded as having some occult relation with the weather. His cry of "Kildree, kildree!" is said to call up the wind ; while to kill him — it was held aforetime — would awaken a violent storm.